

**TOPIC: PROPOSAL TO OFFER A BACCALAUREATE DEGREE IN
INFORMATION MANAGEMENT AT COLORADO STATE
UNIVERSITY, GLOBAL CAMPUS**

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I. SUMMARY

Colorado State University, Global Campus has submitted a proposal to offer a baccalaureate degree in Information Technology. This degree will support the demand for globalization of technology. Non-traditional students will benefit from the program in many capacities: gaining technology certification exam preparation; acquiring technical skills in programming and technology trouble shooting; comprehending theoretical and applied uses of information technology in various business applications; and serving as a contributing team member in a diverse workplace environment.

II. BACKGROUND

The following is summarized from the Colorado State University, Global Campus program proposal:

The degree program provides the coursework to train individuals for information technology jobs and also prepares graduates to take at least six different professional certification exams to enhance student job market value. Specializations in Accounting Information Systems, Technology Services, Web Design, and Cyber Security will provide enhanced targeted skills and additional certification preparation.

ROLE AND MISSION SUPPORT

The BS in Information Management degree supports the role and mission of Colorado State University, Global Campus. The statutory mission states:

*There is hereby established an online university to be known as Colorado state university - global campus. The university shall be under the general control and supervision of the board of governors of the Colorado state university system. Colorado state university - global campus shall be a baccalaureate and graduate online university with the mission in Colorado of offering upper division baccalaureate degree-completion programs for nontraditional students in partnership with the Colorado community college system and selected master-level graduate programs. The university shall comply with all applicable state statutes, rules, and regulations.
C.R.S. 23-30-124.*

The CSU-Global Campus mission is to advance the success of nontraditional adult learners in a global society through degree programs characterized by academic excellence, innovative delivery technologies, and strong stakeholder engagement. CSU-Global's ability to provide an Information Technology program will allow it to continue its affordable cost, accessible, and high quality market positioning to benefit adult students in Colorado and beyond.

III. STAFF ANALYSIS

The Department staff has reviewed this proposed program to ensure that it meets the State's performance measures outlined in C.R.S. §23-5-129(6) (b). The program complies with the Colorado State University, Global Campus role and mission.

IV. STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends that the Commission approve the BS in Information Technology to be offered by Colorado State University, Global Campus

V. SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Copies of all relevant materials are on file in the Academic Affairs office and are available upon request

VI. STATUTORY AUTHORITY

C.R.S. §23-5-129(6) (b)

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